# Appendix 2

# BY LAWS FOR FENTRESS COUNTY HEALTH COUNCIL

#### **ARTICLE 1-NAME**

The name of this council shall be the FENTRESS COUNTY HEALTH COUNCIL (hereafter referred to as "Council") and will exist within the geographic boundaries of Fentress County, Tennessee. The council shall exist as a non-incorporated, not-for-profit, voluntary membership community service organization.

### ARTICLE II -PURPOSE

The Council is to act as an independent advisory organization whose purpose is to facilitate the availability, accessibility and affordability of quality health care within Fentress County, Tennessee.

#### **ARTICLE III -GOALS**

The Council will promote the prevention of premature death, disability and illness by developing a Fentress County community health plan for recommendation to the Department of Health. From its analysis of the health needs of the county, the Council will:

- 1. Formally define health care problems and needs within the community.
- 2. Develop goals, objectives and plans of action to address those needs.
- 3. Identify departmental/organizational work teams and community agencies that should coordinate efforts with respect to each health problem.
- 4. Establishing priorities for all identified health problems.
- 5. Evaluate successes or failures of priorities and report such to the community.

## ARTICLE IV-AUTHORITY

The Council shall exist as an advisory and support body to the Tennessee Department of Health solely for the purposes stated herein and not be vested with any legal authority described to the Tennessee Department of Health, the State of Tennessee or any of its political subdivisions. Recommendations of the Council will not be binding upon the Tennessee Department of Health and the Council is not granted authority to act on behalf of the Department of Health without specific written authorization. The Council shall not have the authority to generate, or otherwise receive funds or property on its own behalf. Further, the Council shall not generate or receive monies or property on behalf of the Tennessee Department of Health without specific prior approval in writing. Should such authorization be issued, any monies or property thereby arising shall be designated for and relinquished directly to the Tennessee Department of Health for appropriate accounting and allocation according to the Tennessee Department Health applicable